Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:38pm in the 2nd floor Conference Room at the Town Offices. Present were: Chairman S. Jon Stumpf, Vice Chair Mary O'Donoghue, Paul Fortier, Joanne Marden, Mark Merritt, Gregory Serrao, Peggy Kruse and Eugenie Moffitt. Also present was Donna Walsh, Finance Director.

Date: April 22, 2013

Warrant Articles Votes

<u>Article 6 – Budget</u>

Ms. Walsh informed the Committee that the budget transfers were on hold as they are still being worked on. There will be one unpaid bill and no expended appropriation.

<u>Article 18 – Doherty Middle School Improvements</u>

Mary O'Donoghue stated the third bid will be back before Town Meeting. There was a lengthy discussion regarding determining the cost of the Youth Center separate from the Doherty Middle School project. Discussion followed regarding the contribution by the Youth Center Foundation in the amount of \$575,000.00 and what impact it would have on the money to be donated by the Town. The key questions to be answered at the next meeting are:

- 1. Is the \$575,000.00 included in the 2.5 million to be paid by the Town?
- 2. Status of the agreement-does the 2.5 million include the "Wood" money?
- 3. Need updated Source of Funds for Youth Center to include telethon money;
- 4. Chris Huntress to address "add alternatives" for Youth Center.

Articles 53 and 54

The Town Meeting does not have to appropriate money Article 53, only approve receiving the Grant money.

Mark Merritt moved and Paul Fortier seconded approval of Article 53. The motion passed unanimously 8-0.

Discussion regarding Article 54. \$1.2 million has been authorized at previous Town Meeting, but not borrowed. PARC Grant will be applied for in an amount up to \$400,000.00. Mark Merritt moved and Peggy Kruse seconded approval of Article 54. The vote was 4 in favor and 4 opposed.

School Budget

There was much discussion about the gap to fully fund the budget, out of district students and the strategic plan request. The discussion will continue at the April 24th Meeting when more information will be provided by the School Dept.

Finance Committee Report

Joanne Marden informed the Committee that the report was submitted to the printer with the \$349,000.00 changes in charges not being corrected.

Town Meeting Planning

Speaking Assignments were assigned and will be discussed Wednesday at the next meeting.

Mary O'Donoghue – Articles 18, 19, 28, 36, 38, 39, 40 Joanne Marden – Articles 5, 8, 9, 14, 22, 23 Mark Merritt – 11, 12, 24, 37, 41-45 Paul Fortier – 2, 17, 21, 25, 46 Peggy Kruse – 53, 54, 56, 15 Eugenie – 3, 29, 48, 60 Greg Serrao – 18, 32, 33, 35

Joanne updated the Committee on the Tennis Court Article.

Approval of Minutes

Approval tabled. Ms. Walsh will forward the Minutes electronically for review for Wednesday meeting.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, April 24, 2013.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46pm.

Respectfully submitted, Lynn Viselli, Recording Secretary